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Special Viewpoint
Neighborhood Edition
City of Redmond



Neighborhood News

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Staying Informed

A variety of communication tools are utilized throughout the neighborhood planning process in order to keep residents informed:

- **Neighborhood Web:** <http://www.redmond.gov/intheworks/ViewPoint/default.asp>
- **E-mail:** send your e-mail address to kdietz@redmond.gov; a list of neighborhood contacts is maintained throughout the entire process and beyond
- **RCTV:** major events are posted to Redmond's Cable Channel 21
- **FOCUS and The Redmond Reporter:** major events and updates are also posted periodically
- **Telephone:** the neighborhood lead, Kimberly Dietz, (425) 556-2415

Together we create a community of good neighbors...

The Viewpoint Neighborhood Plan Update Kick-off

Welcome to this special edition of Neighborhood News that has been developed for the Viewpoint neighborhood. All residents of the Viewpoint neighborhood are invited to become part of the neighborhood planning process that will consider the next twenty-year timeline.

Thinking back over the last twenty years, Redmond has seen great changes and does expect to see many more wonderful changes for each of the ten neighborhoods. Viewpoint, being one of the most picturesque, is already seeing some of those changes as homes are added and enhanced.

In order to help guide the next twenty years, the residents of the Viewpoint neighborhood are asked to take part in a neighborhood planning process. Residents will take part in discussions that relate to many aspects of living, working, and recreating within the Viewpoint neighborhood. Discussion items undergo an extensive public review and feedback process. The results then become recommendations for update to neighborhood policies and regulations that speak to the long-term future of the Viewpoint neighborhood.

Please read further to find out how you may become part of this process...

Participation

Many opportunities are available to Viewpoint residents so that you may remain informed and provide a variety of input. The most active level of participation is as a member of the Viewpoint Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC). A group of ten to twelve residents who represent the diversity of the neighborhood; including age, heritage, and geography; will meet over the course of one year to assist with developing the recommendations that make up the neighborhood plan.

Focus and discussion groups will also take place throughout the neighborhood planning process. The results of these moderated, small-group sessions will assist the CAC as they consider possible changes to the plan's policy and regulations.

Public forums are also provided as

needed in order to focus upon specific topics. As well, Open House events offer residents an opportunity to view the status of the neighborhood plan update and provide feedback to the work performed to date.

Residents may wish to provide information in writing throughout the planning and update process. E-mail and regular mail is available for such contacts, as indicated in this newsletter.

Additionally, members of the CAC will serve as liaisons between the neighborhood residents and the City. By sharing information with neighbors and in providing feedback, each CAC member will further assist with building a neighborhood-wide, collaborative plan.

All information generated through residents' participation is shared with the Redmond's City officials.

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VIEWPOINT NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN UPDATE KICK-OFF AND CITY SERVICES FAIR

THURSDAY,
APRIL 26, 2007

4:30PM TO 7:30PM

AT
AUDUBON ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL

Viewpoint City Services Fair and Kickoff – April 26

Join Redmond staff and the Neighborhoods Planning Team at the kickoff event for the Viewpoint neighborhood plan update on Thursday, April 26, from 4:30pm to 7:30pm. The event will take place at Audubon Elementary School and will include light snacks. Special features and activities will be available for children's enjoyment.

Attendees will be asked to participate in small group discussions regarding the long-term future of the neighborhood. These focus groups will address current concerns as well as possible innovative ideas for the next twenty years.

City staff will be available to provide

information, describe programs and services, and to answer questions.

Redmond's Mayor Ives will offer a welcoming message at 6:00pm. A brief slideshow will follow.

RSVP is required; please call (425) 556-2440. Questions may be directed to the neighborhood plan update lead, Kimberly Dietz, (425) 556-2415, or kdietz@redmond.gov.

Additional information is included at: <http://www.redmond.gov/intheworks/ViewPoint/default.asp>.

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday, April 26.

Become a Citizen Advisory Committee Member!

Viewpoint neighborhood residents who wish to become a member of the Viewpoint neighborhood Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) should submit a Community Service Application; available at:

<http://www.redmond.gov/insidecityhall/boards/pdfs/communityserviceapplication.pdf>

place during extended holiday periods and major school breaks.

Questions may be directed to Kimberly Dietz at kdietz@redmond.gov or (425) 556-2415. And, to learn more, please refer to:

<http://www.redmond.gov/intheworks/ViewPoint/default.asp>.

The deadline for applications is April 30, 2007, with interviews taking place throughout April and early May. The CAC is expected to commence its work in late May 2007.

CAC meetings take place at a central neighborhood location or at Redmond City Hall approximately twice per month. Meetings are scheduled at a time most convenient for the group and run from two to three hours.

Additionally, CAC members will be asked to attend and have the option of hosting a coffee klatch with small groups of neighbors. These sessions will be scheduled on a monthly basis at a convenient time.

CAC meetings will not take

